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**"SHIELD 82" EXERCISE PREPARATIONS
SLIVEN TRAINING AREA NORTHEAST, BULGARIA**

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1. (SWN) SIGNIFICANCE: PREPARATIONS ARE IN PROGRESS FOR THE ANNUAL JOINT WARSAW PACT MANEUVERS "SHIELD 82".
2. (SWN) REMARKS: A PROBABLE BULGARIAN TENT CAMP CONTAINING AT LEAST 280 MEDIUM AND SMALL TENTS IS ON THE SOUTHERN EDGE OF SLIVEN TRAINING AREA NORTHEAST. A POSSIBLE COMMAND POST AREA IS BEING SET UP IMMEDIATELY EAST OF THE TENT CAMP. MAJOR ELEMENTS OF A MOTORIZED RIFLE BATTALION ARE PARKED NEAR THE BIVOUAC. TWO ADDITIONAL SMALL TENT CAMPS AND ELEMENTS OF A PROBABLE TANK COMPANY ARE ALSO IN THE TRAINING AREA. LOW LEVEL MOTOR TRANSPORT ACTIVITY IS EVIDENT THROUGHOUT THE TRAINING AREA.

(SWN) "SHIELD" EXERCISES ARE ANNUAL JOINT WARSAW PACT MANEUVERS HELD IN EASTERN EUROPE. THE EXERCISES COMBINE SOVIET FORCES AND NATIONAL EASTERN EUROPEAN FORCES IN TRAINING SCENARIOS ORIENTED AGAINST NATO.

(SWN) SLIVEN HOUSES THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE 3RD BULGARIAN ARMY AND IS IN EASTERN BULGARIA, 150 NM EAST OF SOFIA AND 70 NM WEST OF THE BLACK SEA.

3. COORDINATES 42-43-47N 026-37-33E

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